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CITY TO HOST GUN TURN-IN EVENT

Gun Turn-In Event has Set National Record

Collected Over 23,000 Guns Since Start

CHICAGO – The City of Chicago, the Chicago Police Department, CAPS, and faith- and community-based organizations will host a citywide Gun Turn-In (GTI) event on Saturday, June 23, 2012, as part of its ongoing efforts to get guns off the streets of Chicago.

"The streets of Chicago belong to its residents and we are working every day to get guns, drugs and gangs off the streets," said Mayor Emanuel. "Working with the faith-based community, CAPS, Police and our media partners to engage the community; we can reduce the number of guns on our streets."

The citywide Gun Turn-In will be held on June 23 at 23 churches throughout Chicago. Between 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m., anyone can exchange a firearm, no questions asked, for a \$100.00 MasterCard gift card. In addition, replica and BB-guns may be turned in for a \$10.00 MasterCard gift card.

Gun Turn-Ins have set two national records – April 29, 2006 with over 3,000 guns and breaking its own record on July 21, 2007 with over 6,700 guns. In the last 6 years, this event has collected over 23,000 guns

Chicago has recently enacted a number of public safety initiatives aimed at reducing crime, including the City's new coordinated crime-fighting strategies aimed at integrating efforts to combat not only gang-related violence but also criminal activity associated with "problem" businesses in Chicago's neighborhoods; Strong Blocks/SAFE Communities Wrap-Around Strategy, an initiative that combines targeted police enforcement with City services and community engagement; putting more officers back into districts and on the streets to keep communities safe;



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introducing CompStat, a data-driven approach to fighting crime; proposing state-wide gun registration and titling; and collaborating with federal law enforcement agencies to bring in additional resources to our communities.

Starting today, several **“Don’t Kill A Dream Save A Life,”** ads will run on television, radio and CTA bus shelters throughout the City of Chicago.

To view the **“Don’t Kill A Dream Save A Life,”** television ads, click on the links below:

Gun Turn In English - <http://youtu.be/S5uvkMSvYjM>

Gun Turn In Spanish - www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-aoIW50p3Q

Gun Turn- In Locations

UNITED CHURCH OF ROGERS PARK
1545 W. MORSE

DOUGLAS PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
1840 S. KEDZIE AV ENUE

UPTOWN BAPTIST CHURCH
1011 W. Wilson

ST. AGNES OF BOHEMIA CATHOLIC
2651 S. CENTRAL PARK

TRUTH AND DELIVERANCE INTERNATIONAL
MINISTRIES
5151 W. Madison

NEW BEGINNINGS CHURCH
6620 S. MARTIN LUTHER KING DRIVE

GREATER HARVEST MB CHURCH
5141 S. STATE STREET

HERITAGE INTERNATIONAL
CHRISTIAN CHURCH
5312 W. North Avenue

MT. VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH
2622 W. JACKSON Boulevard

FELLOWSHIP MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
4543 S. Princeton Avenue

CORINTHIANS TEMPLE COGIC
4520 W. WASHINGTON Boulevard

ST. SABINA CHURCH
1210 W. 78th Place

CHICAGO ISLAMIC CENTER
3357 W. 63RD STREET

TRINITY ALL NATIONS CHURCH
9600 S. VINCENNES

FIRST CHURCH OF DELIVERANCE
4315 S. WABASH AV ENUE

BETHLEHEM STAR M.B. CHURCH
9231 S. COTTAGE GROVE AVENUE



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NEW VISION OF FAITH MINISTRIES
447 W. 120TH STREET

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
2944 E. 88TH STREET

NEW LIFE COVENANT CHURCH
1021 E. 78th STREET

GREATER SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH
215 W. 71ST STREET

LIBERATION CHRISTIAN CENTER
6810 S. ASHLAND AVENUE

ANTIOCH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
6248 S. STEWART AVENUE

GREATER INSTITUTIONAL AME CHURCH
7800 S. INDIANA AVENUE

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